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TAGS: MARR PARM PFOR MP US UR XO
SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S PRESS CONFERENCE REMARKS ABOUT THE
INDIAN OCEAN

1. MINISTRY INFORMATION MARCH 10 NEWS BULLETIN CARRIES BOTH
REUTERS AND AFP STORIES REPORTING PRESIDENT CARTER "DISCLOSED
HE HAD SUGGESTED TO THE SOVIET UNION THAT THE INDIAN OCEAN
BE COMPLETELY DEMILITARIZED" AT PRESS CONFERENCE MARCH 9.
REQUEST COMPLETE TEXT OF STATEMENT THIS SUBJECT BY PRIORITY
CABLE. (THIS POST RECEIVES WIRELESS FILE BY MAIL ONE TO TWO WEEKS LA
TE.)

2. ALSO REQUEST ANY AVAILABLE BACKGROUND OR ELABORATION ON
THIS SUBJECT, AS STATEMENT WILL GENERATE INTENSE INTEREST
LOCALLY AND LIKELY GOM REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION/CLARIFICATION
OF CURRENT USG POLICY ON INDIAN OCEAN DEMILITARIZATION.

3. AFTERNOON PRESS MARCH 10 IS REATURING STORY. LE MAURICIEN
REPORTS IT AS FOLLOWS: "THE NEW AMERICAN PRESIDENT,
MR. JIMMY CARTER, YESTERDAY FORMALLY PROPOSED TO THE SOVIET
UNION THE TOTAL DEMILITARIZATION OF THE INDIAN OCEAN. THIS
OFFER, WHICH MARKS A DECIDED CHANGE IN AMERICAN POLICY AND WHICH
LEAVES THE IMPRESSION THAT THE UNITED STATES COULD ABANDON ITS
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PLANNED BASE ON DIEGO GARCIA, WAS FORMULATED AS PART OF A
'PACKAGE DEAL' DESIGNED TO REDUCE WORLD TENSION."
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